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In re: Micolas John Dougill et al.

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In re application of:
Nicolas John Dougill et al.
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For: Method Of And Apparatus For Removing Material

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RESPONSE

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Sir: 75 (11)4(0) 3

In response to the Office Action mailed March 5, 2003 setting forth a restriction requirement, applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I defined by claims 1-11, 19-29 and 37.

In making this election, applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application under 35 USC 121 containing claims 12-18, 30-36 and 38 directed to the invention of Group II. Of the Containing the property of the containing the property of the containing the second to the invention of Group II. Of the containing t

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Favorable action on this application is respectfully requested.

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